

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michelle M. DuBois

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act regulating the location of generation facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3695 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act regulating the location of generation facilities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official
2 Edition is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

3 Section 69J1/4A. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the
4 contrary no generating facility (run with Natural Gas or Diesel) shall be located in an area which
5 is less than 1 mile in linear distance from an environmental justice community, playground,
6 licensed day-care center, school, church, area of critical environmental concern, as determined
7 by the secretary of environmental affairs pursuant to 301 CMR 12.00, or an area occupied by
8 residential housing. This linear distance shall be measured from any point along a generating
9 facility to the outermost point of aforementioned zones; provided, however, that repairs or
10 replacements that do not increase megawatts generated in any generation facility in operation
11 prior to January 1, 2017, shall not be subject to this section.